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SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE,
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE
AND METHOD OF
MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed with the above-referenced application.

Each of the listed documents was cited by Applicants or the Examiner in parent application serial no. 09/451,755 of which this application is a divisional claiming the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of the listed documents are not being provided.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

The following is a concise statement of relevance for two of the non-English language documents.

1. Japanese Patent Publication No. 6-252283 shows a cover or package molded with a thermoplastic resin and both are solvent welded and are connected.
2. Japanese Patent Publication No. 8-78561 shows sealing by injecting a transparent resin into an optical part in the thermoplastic resin package.

In lieu of a statement of relevance or translation of the remaining non-English documents, an English language search report from the European Patent Office in a corresponding application citing these documents and setting forth the relevance thereof was provided in the parent application.

English abstracts of Japanese published application No. 7-48522 and No. 10-204256 were provided in the parent application.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and Applicants determine that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

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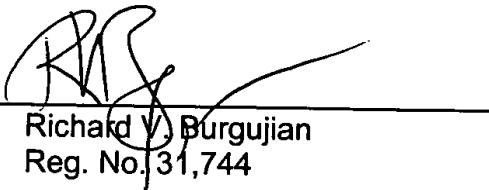
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